

Clustering

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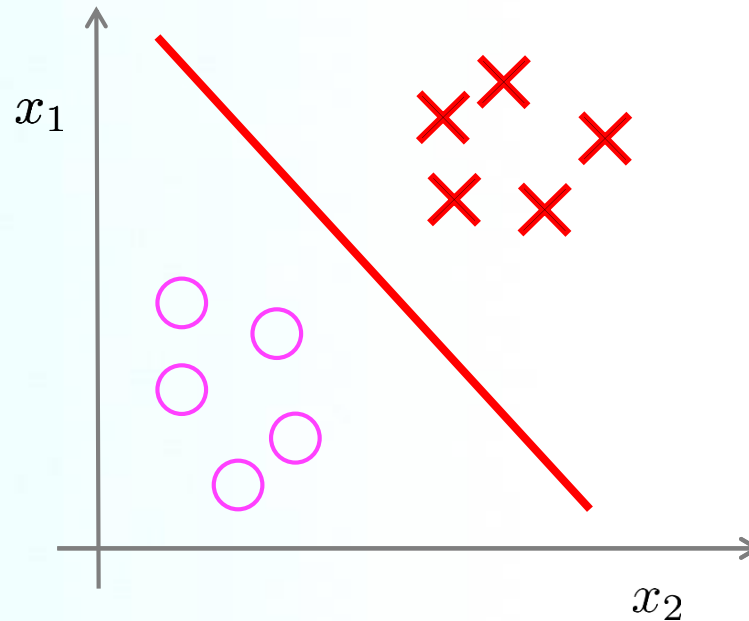
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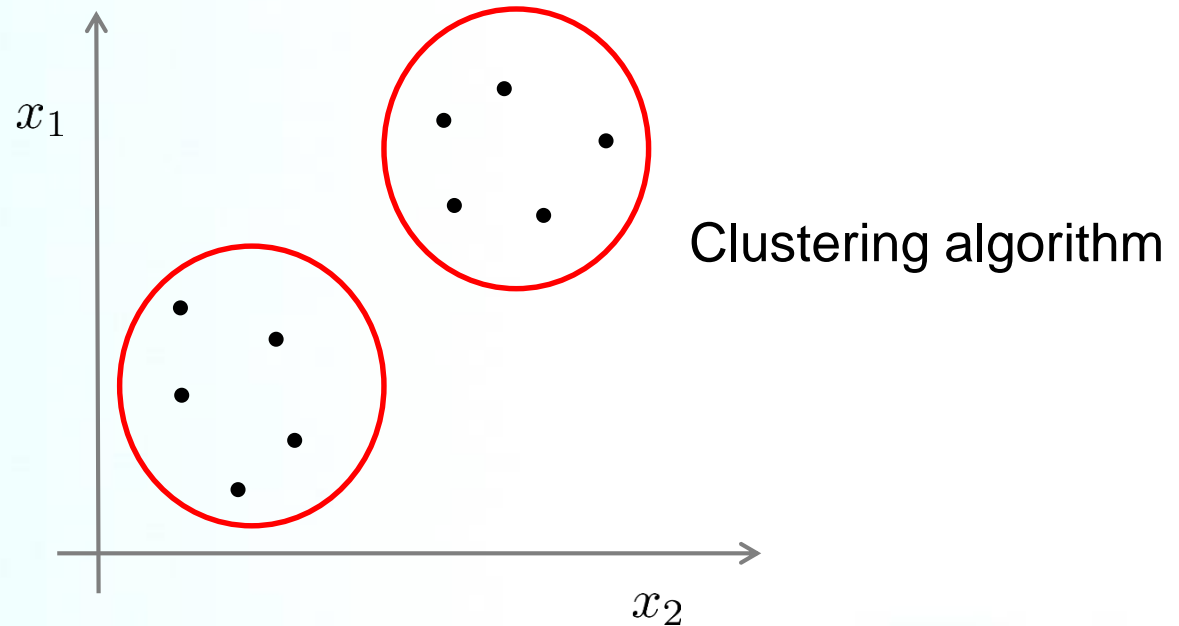
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Supervised Learning



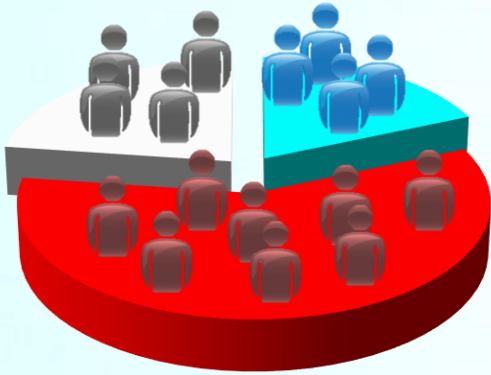
- Training set: $\{(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)}), \}$
- Given a set of labels, fit a hypothesis to it

Unsupervised Learning

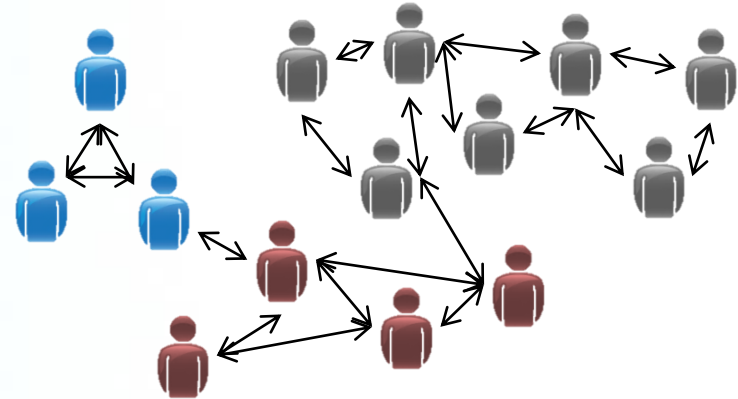


- Training set: $\{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(m)}\}$
 - Try to determine structure in the data
 - Clustering algorithm groups data together based on data features

Application of Clustering



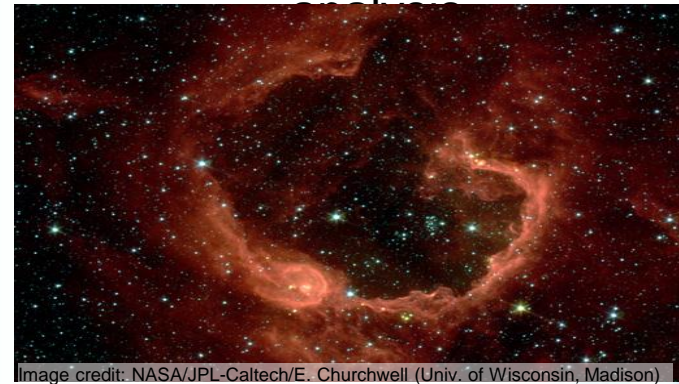
Market segmentation



Social network



Organize computing clusters



Astronomical data analysis

Application of Clustering

- What is clustering good for
 - **Market segmentation**
 - Group customers into different market segments
 - **Social network analysis**
 - Facebook "smartlists"
 - **Organizing computer clusters** and data centers for network layout and location
 - **Astronomical data analysis**
 - Understanding galaxy formation

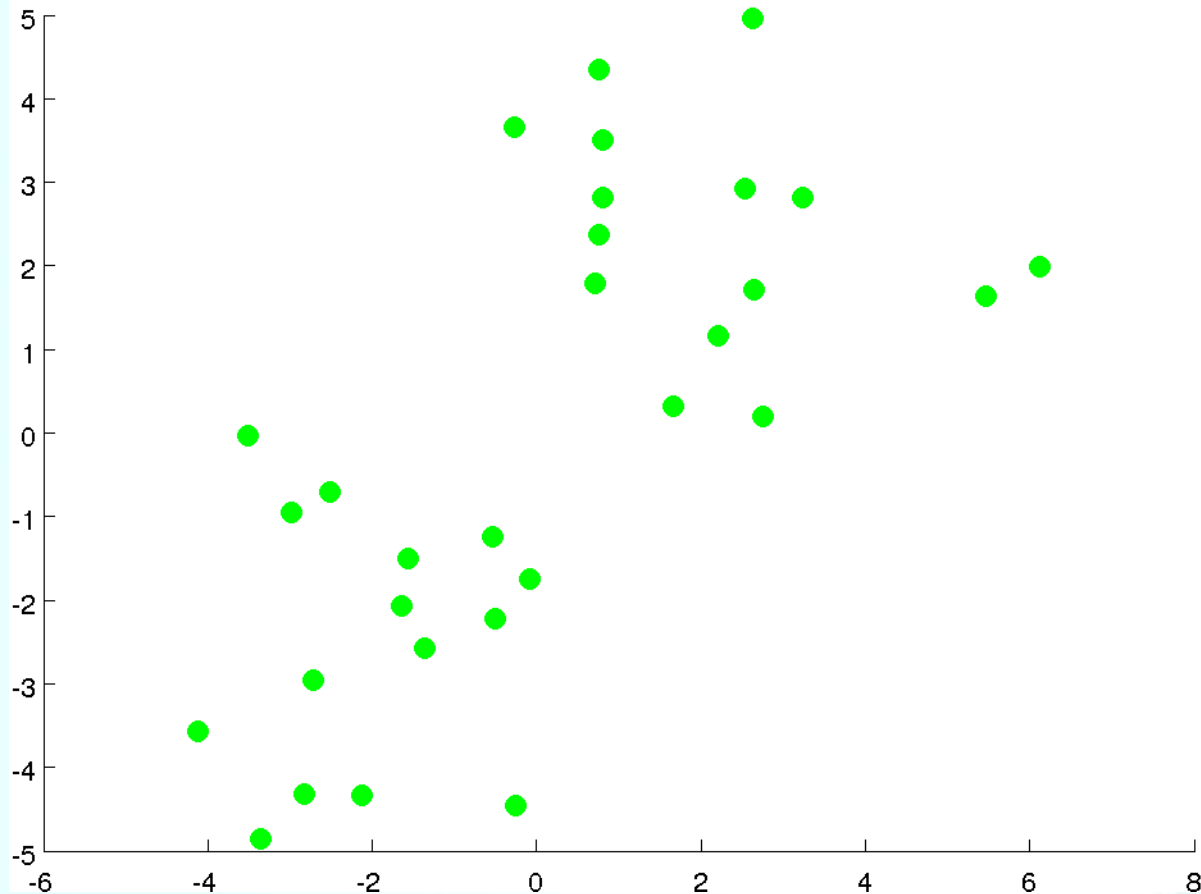
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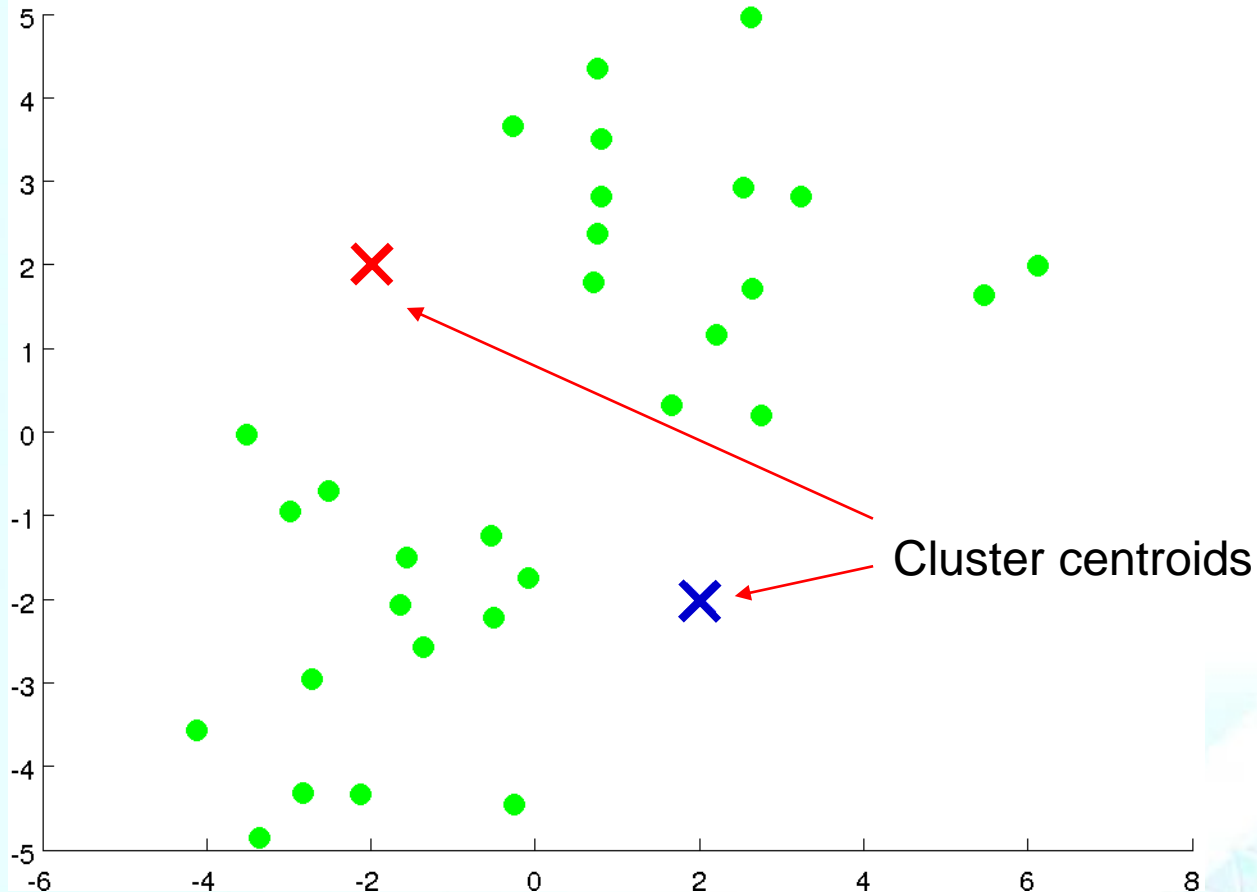
- Want an algorithm to automatically group the data into coherent clusters
- K-means
 - The most widely used clustering algorithm

K-means Algorithm



Take unlabeled data and group into two clusters

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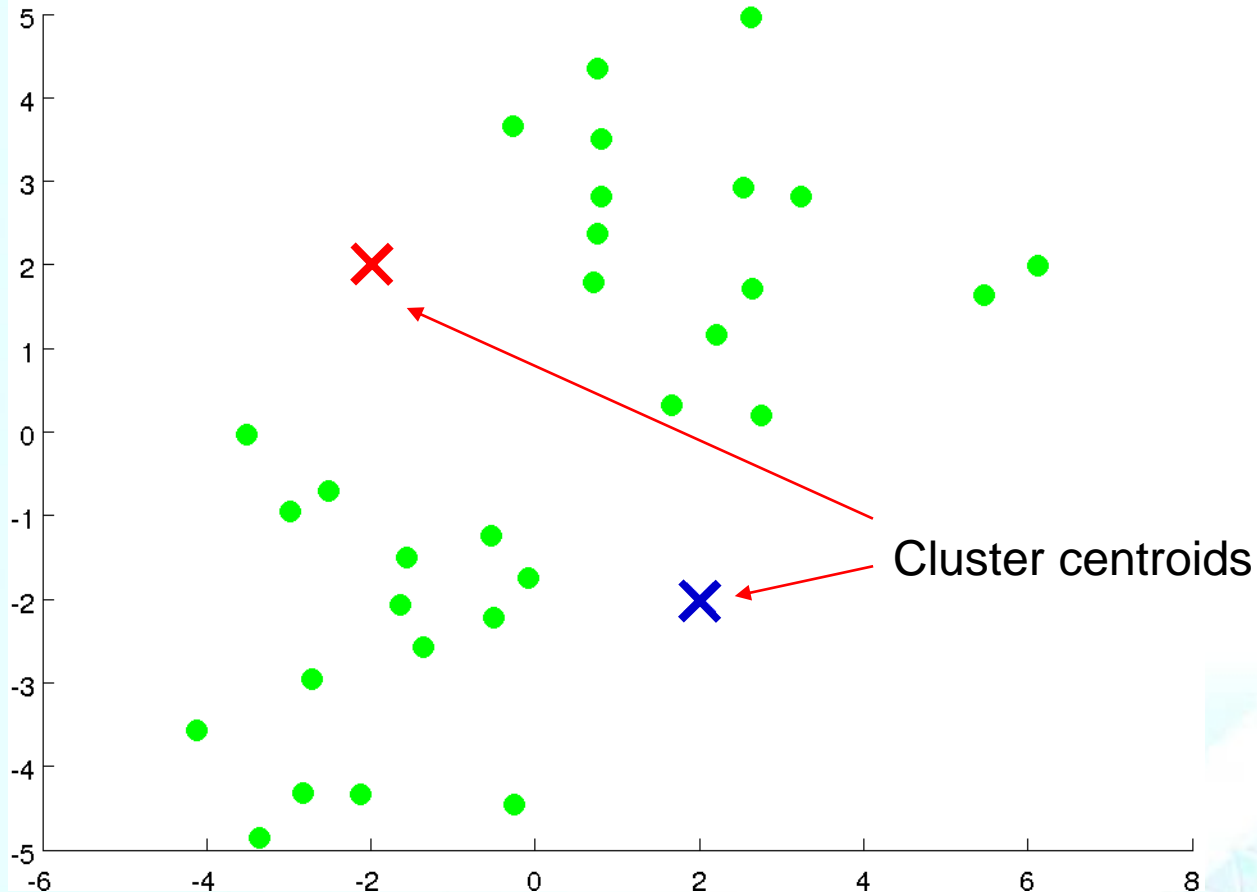


1) Randomly allocate two points as the cluster centroids

Have as many cluster centroids as clusters we want to do (K cluster centroids, in fact)

In this example, two clusters

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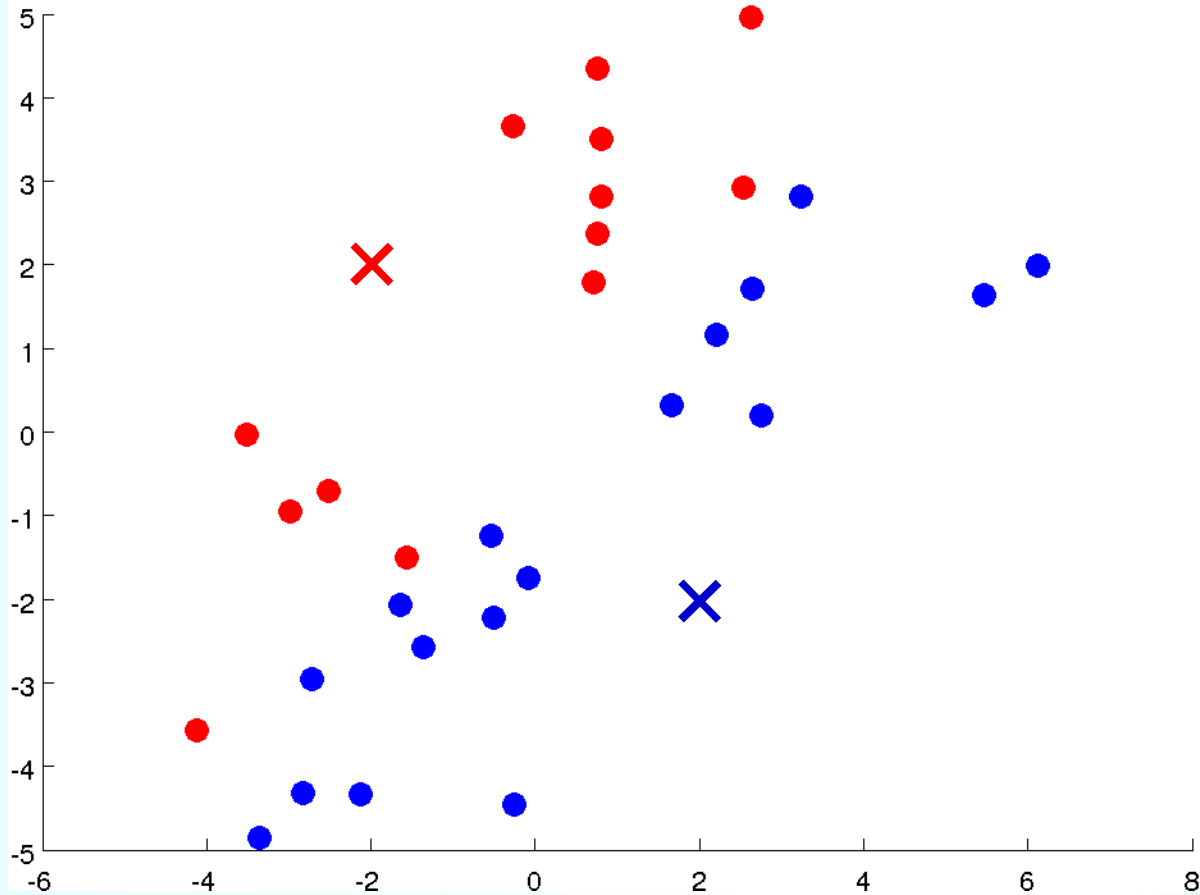


2) Cluster assignment step

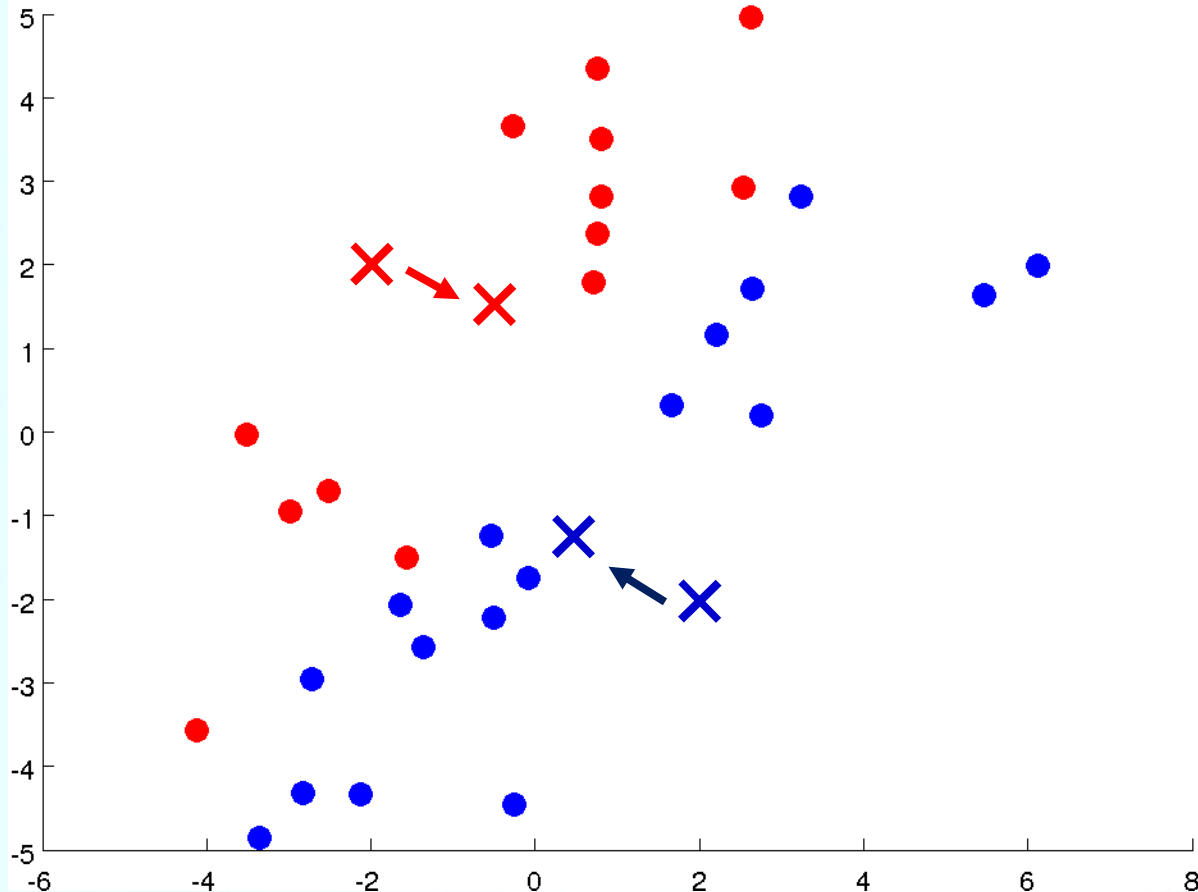
Go through each example

Check if it is closer to the red or blue centroid and assign each point to one of two clusters

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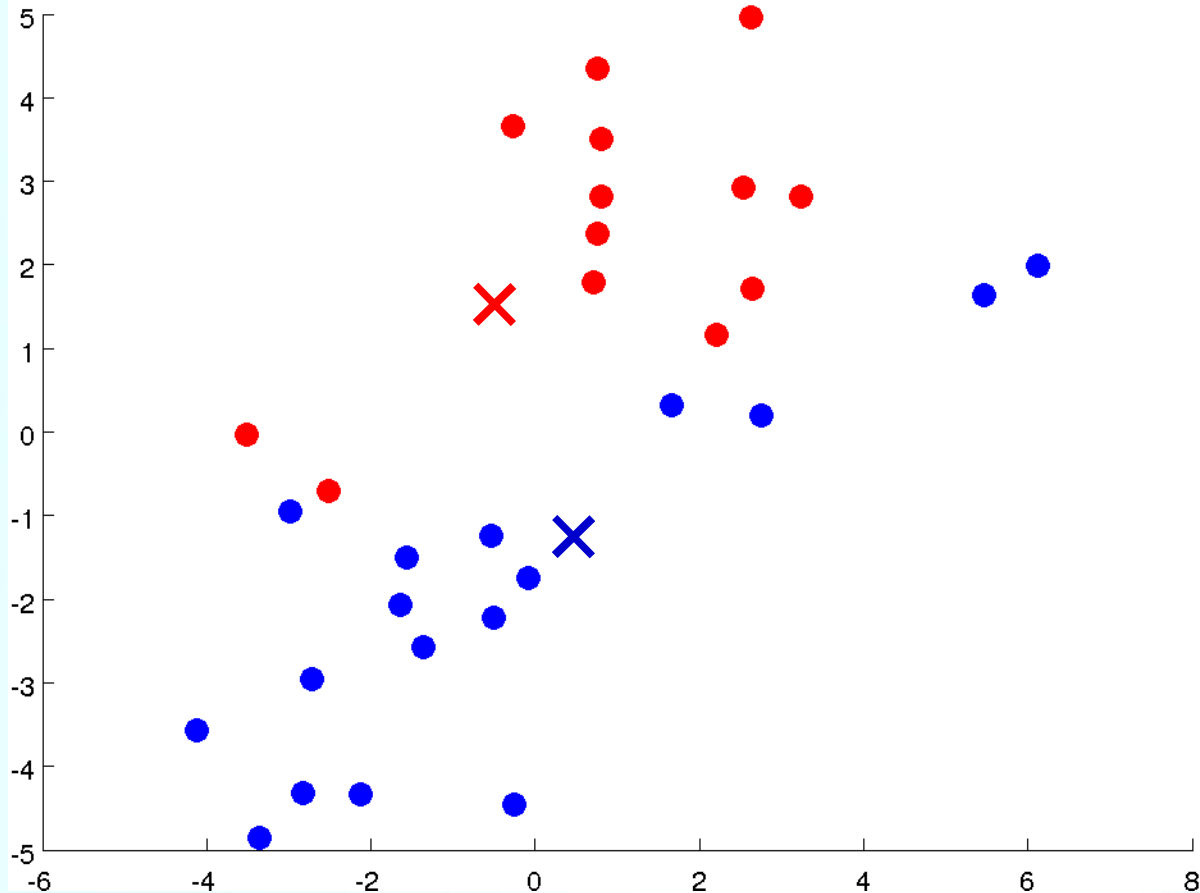
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3) Move centroid step

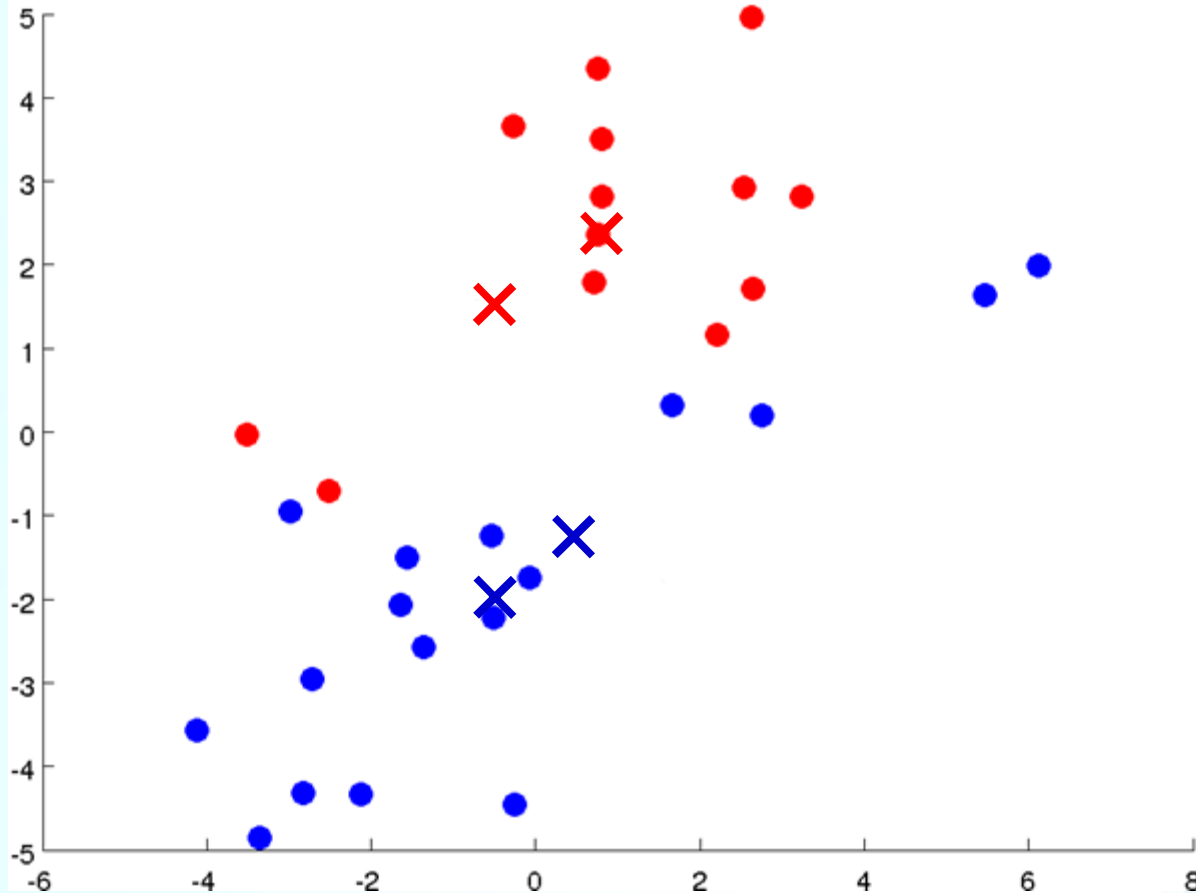
Take each centroid and move to the average of the correspondingly assigned data-points

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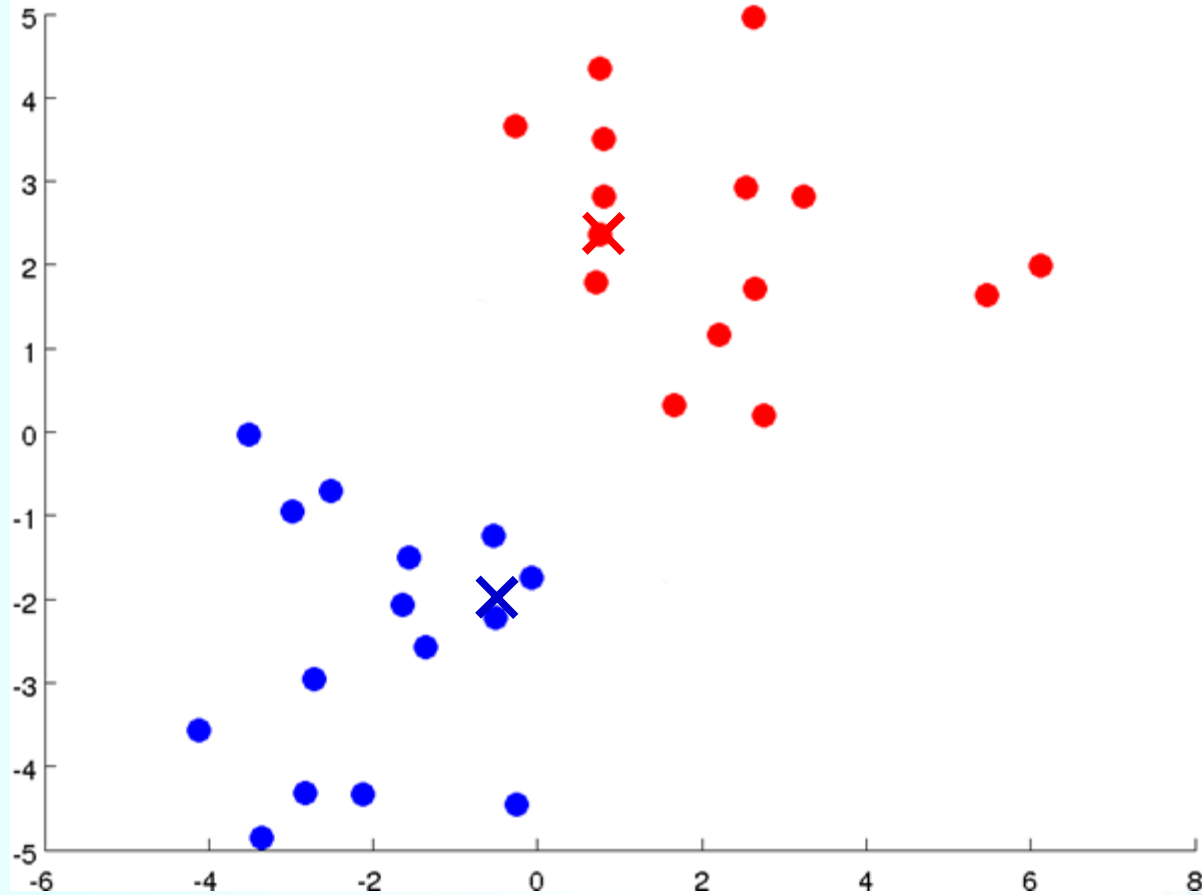
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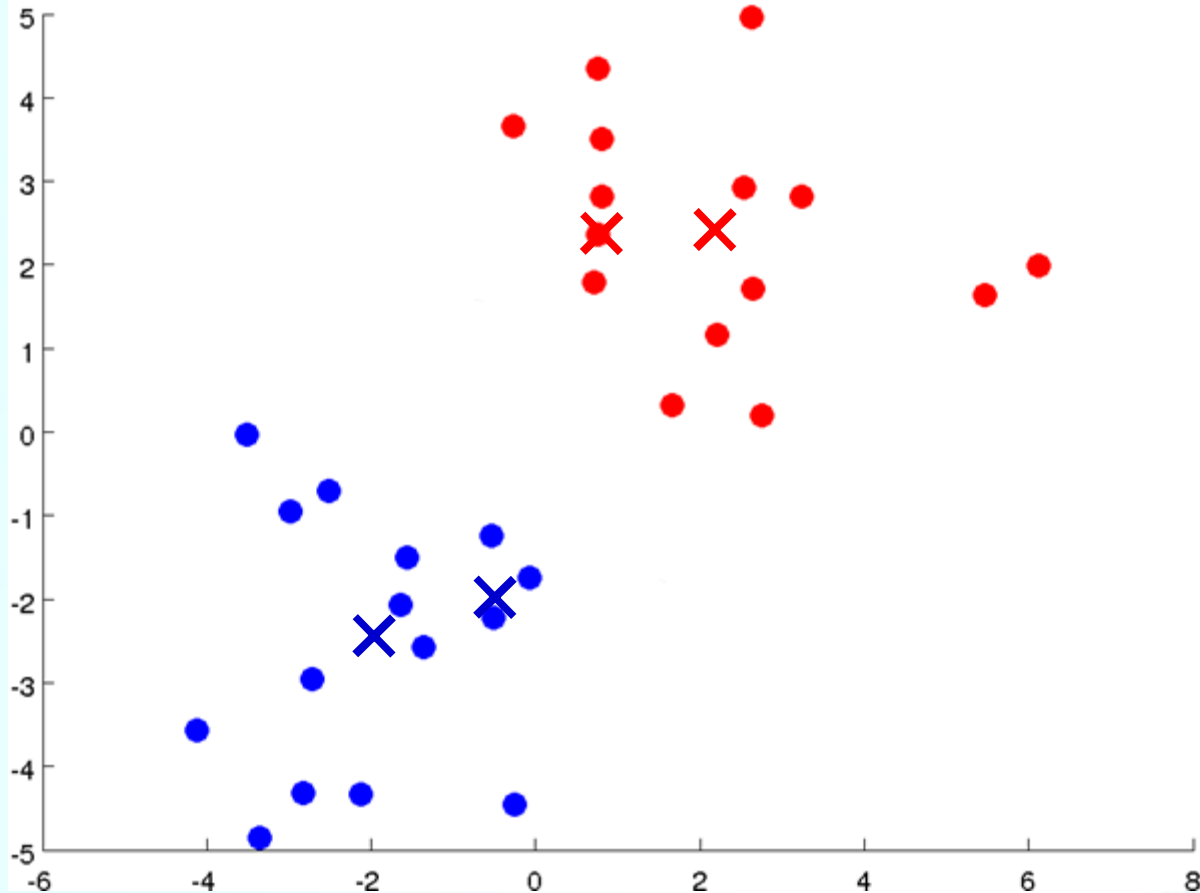


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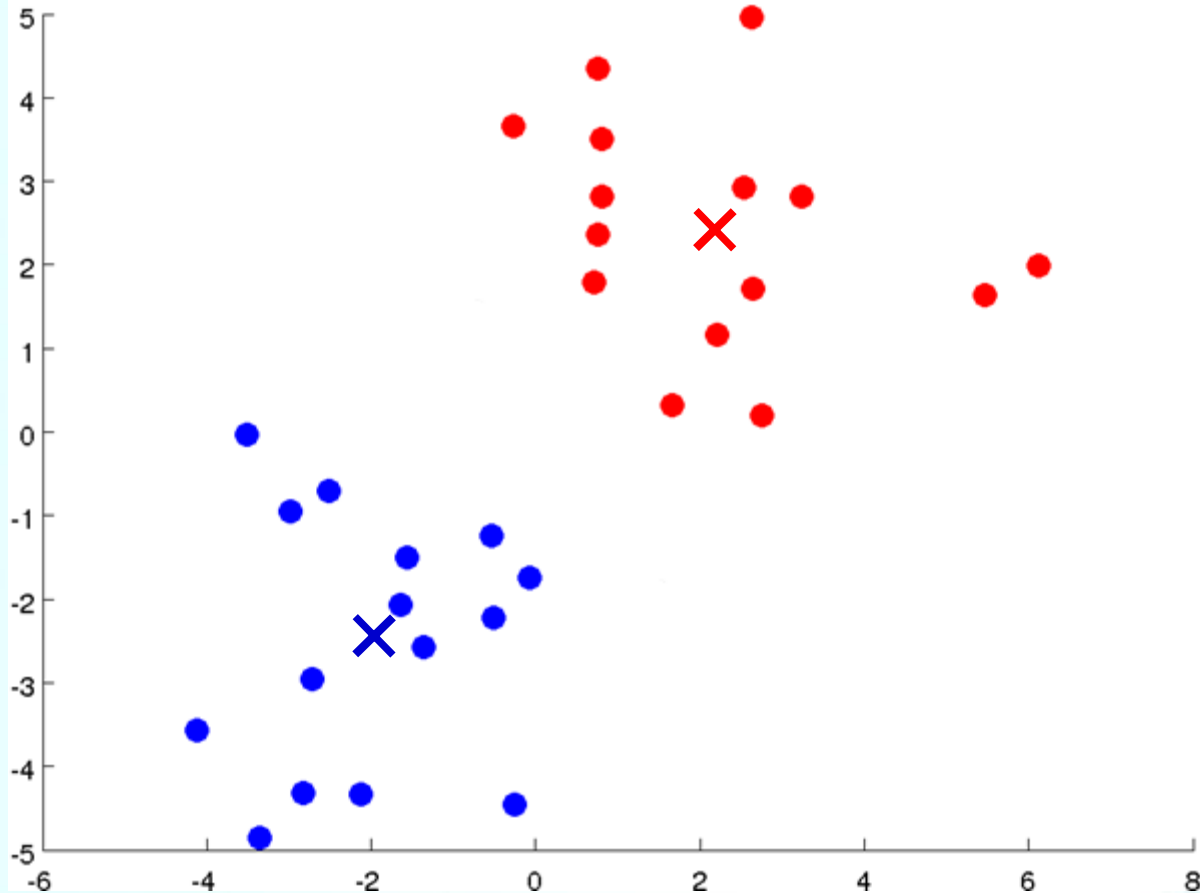
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■ Input:

- K (number of clusters in the data)
- Training set $\{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(m)}, \}$
 - $x^{(i)} \in R^n$ (Drop $x_0 = 1$ convention)

K-means Algorithm

- Randomly initialize K cluster centroids $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_K \in R^n$

Repeat {

 for $i = 1$ to m

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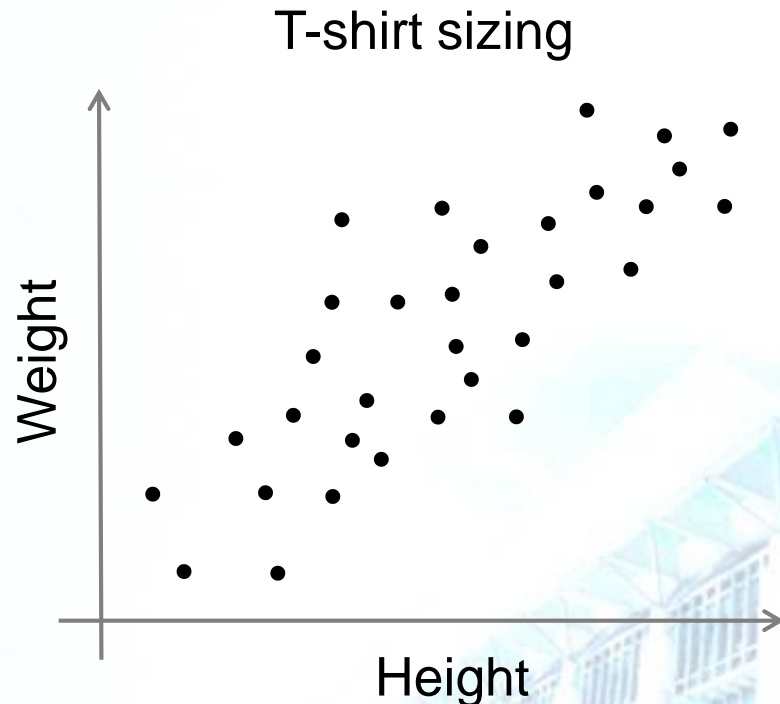
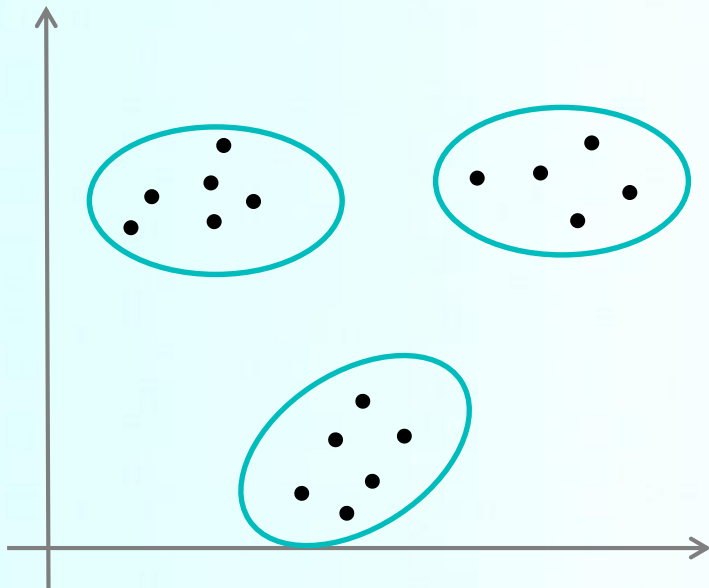
- Suppose that for $x^{(1)}, x^{(5)}, x^{(7)}$, and $x^{(10)}$

$$\min_k \|x^{(i)} - \mu_k\|^2 \rightarrow c^{(1)} = 2, \quad c^{(5)} = c^{(7)} = c^{(10)} = 2$$

$$\mu_2 = \frac{1}{4} (x^{(1)} + x^{(5)} + x^{(7)} + x^{(10)}) \in R^n$$

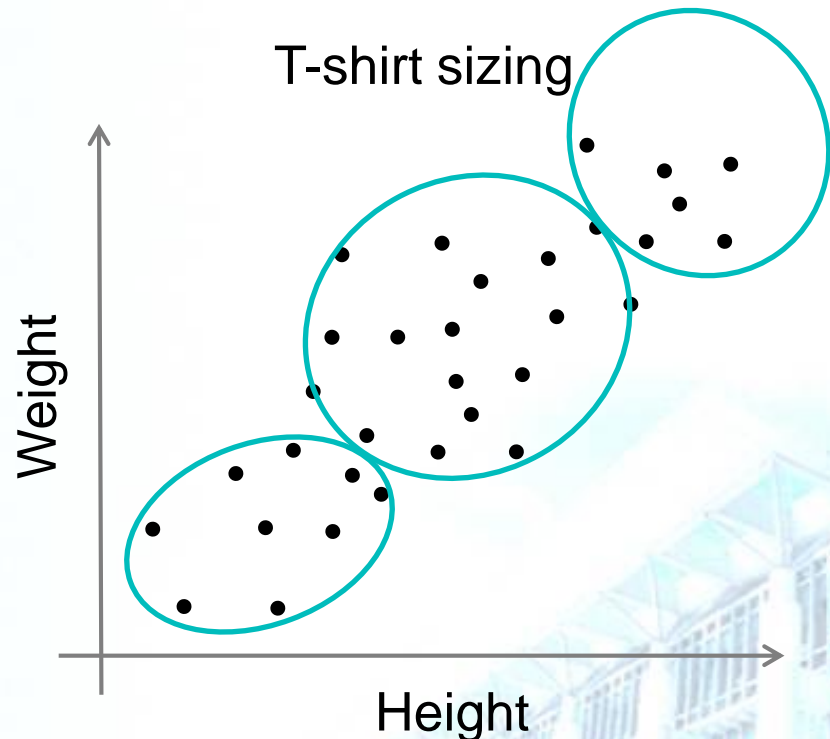
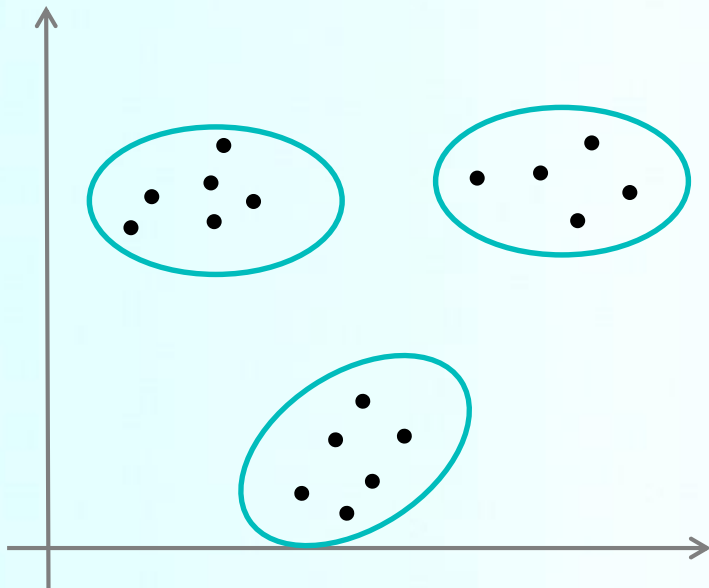
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- For three sizes (S,M,L), how big do we make these?
 - One way would be to run K-means on this data
 - Creates three clusters, even though they are not really there
 - Look at first population of people
 - Try and design a small T-shirt which fits the 1st population
 - And so on for the other two
 - This is an example of market segmentation
 - Build products which suit the needs of your subpopulations

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K-means Optimization Objective

■ Optimization objective

$$J(c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^{(i)} - \mu_{c^{(i)}}\|^2$$

■ Called distortion (or distortion cost function)

$$\min_{\substack{c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)} \\ \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K}} J(c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K)$$

■ $c^{(i)}$

■ Index of cluster $(1, 2, \dots, K)$ to which $x^{(i)}$ is currently assigned

■ μ_k

■ cluster centroid k ($\mu_k \in R^n$)

■ $\mu_{c^{(i)}}$

■ cluster centroid of cluster to which $x^{(i)}$ has been assigned

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Minimize $J(\dots)$ wrt $c^{(1)}, c^{(2)}, \dots, c^{(m)}$
(holding $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_K$ fixed)

Move centroid

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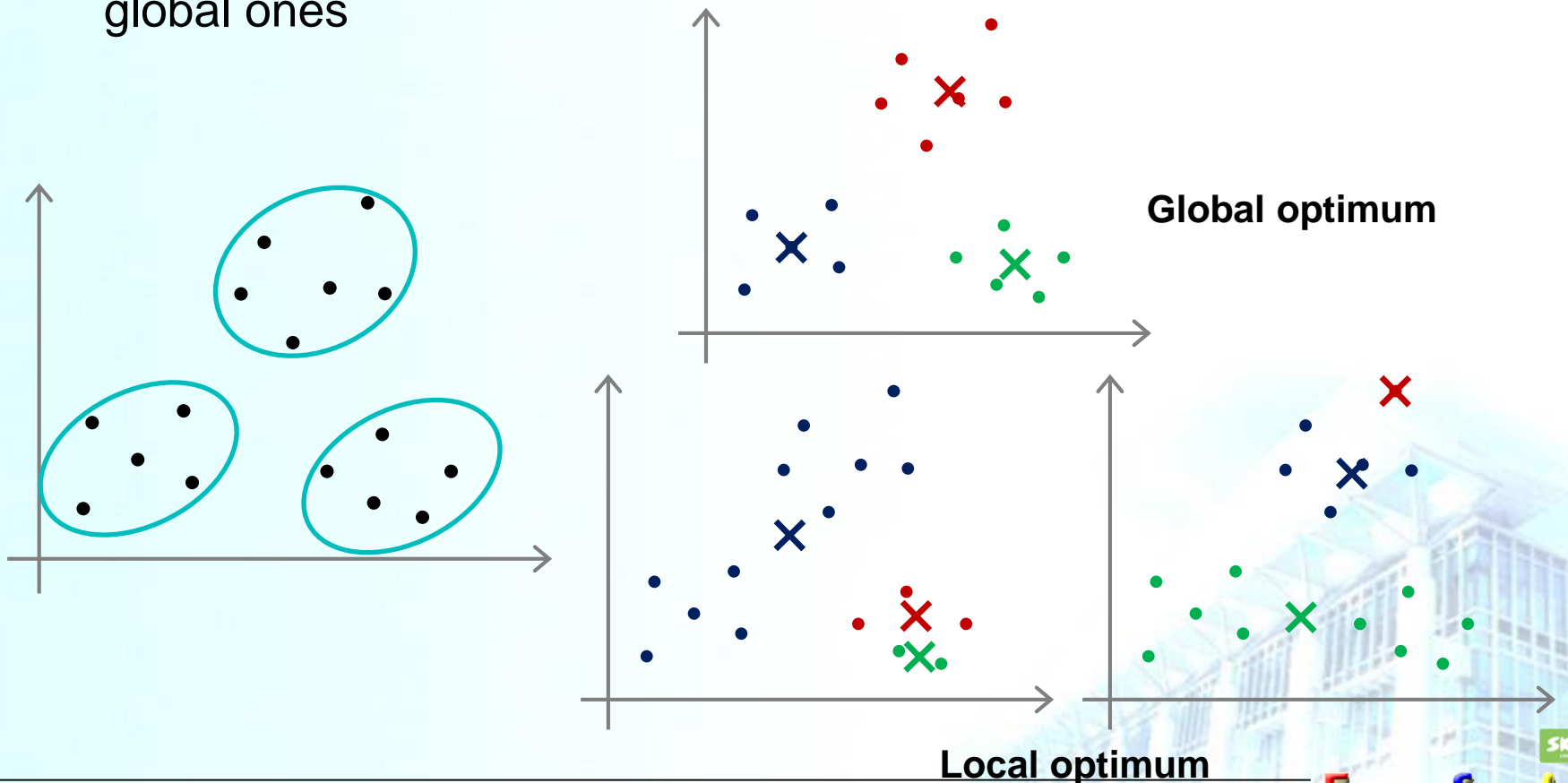
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Random Initialization

- Should have $K < m$
- Randomly pick K training examples.
- Set $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_K$ equal to these K examples.

Local Optima

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- If we concern a local optimum,
 - we can do multiple random initializations
 - See if we get the same result
 - Many same results are likely to indicate a global optimum

Random Initialization

For $i = 1$ to 100 {

Randomly initialize K means.

Run K means.

Get $c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_K$

Compute cost function (distortion)

$J(c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K)$

}

Pick clustering that gave lowest cost $J(c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K)$

Random Initialization

- A typical number of times to initialize K-means
 - 50 ~ 1,000

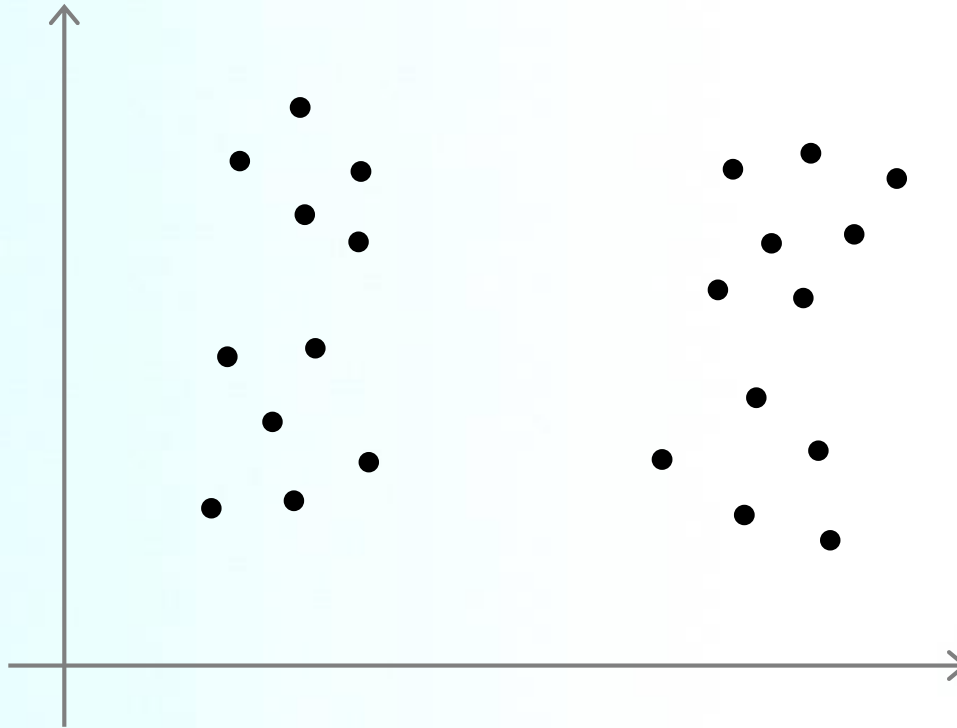
- If we are running K means with 2-10 clusters,
it can help find better global optimum
 - If K is larger than 10, then multiple random initializations are less likely to be necessary
 - First solution is probably good enough (better granularity of clustering)

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■ What is the right value of K ?



- Not a great way to do this automatically
- Normally use visualizations to do it manually

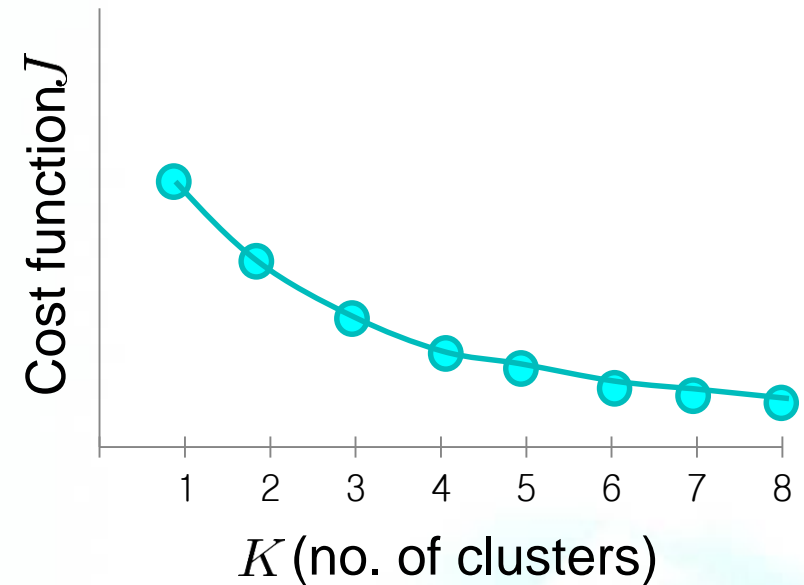
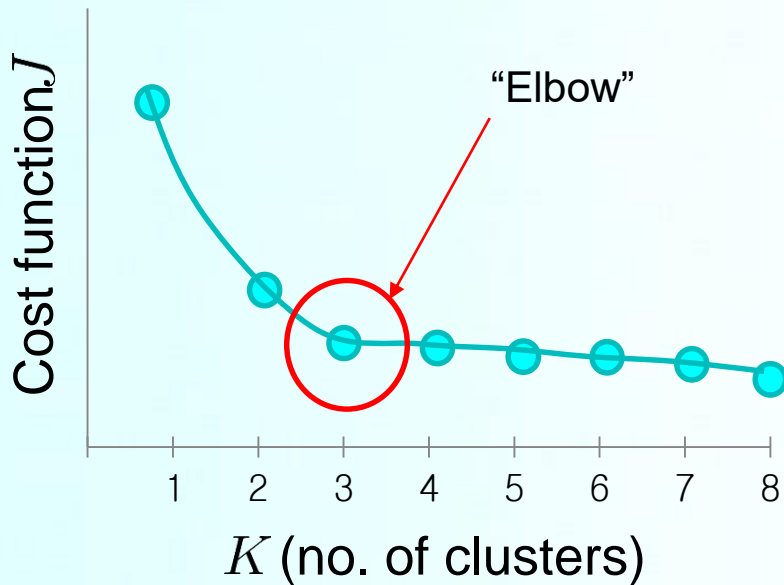
■ Why is this hard

- Sometimes very ambiguous
 - e.g. two clusters or four clusters
 - Not necessarily a correct answer
- This is why doing it automatically this is hard

Choosing The Number of Clusters

■ Elbow method

- Chose the "elbow" number of clusters



■ Risks

- Normally, no clear elbow on curve
 - Not really that helpful

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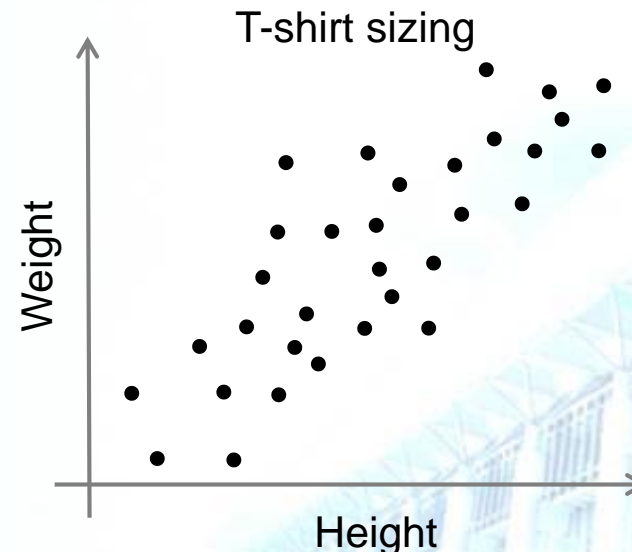
■ Using K-means for market segmentation

■ T-shirt size problem

■ Consider a company, which will release a new model of T-shirt to market.

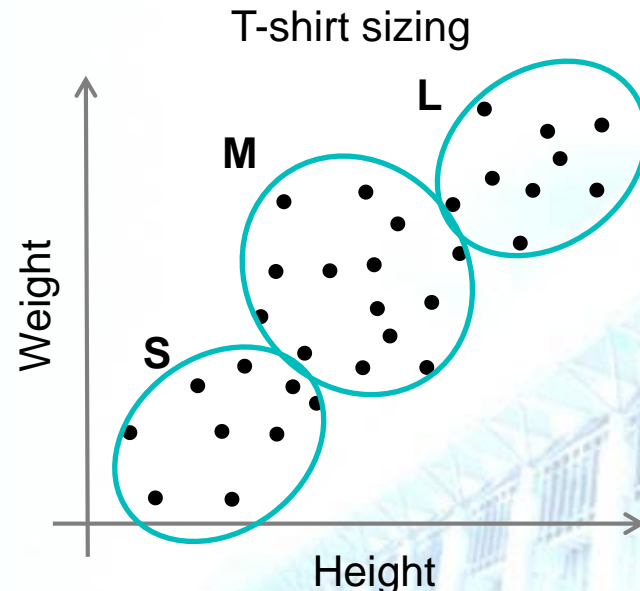
■ In order to satisfy people of all sizes, models in different sizes need to be made.

➤ So the company make a data of people's height and weight, and plot them on to a graph, as follows.



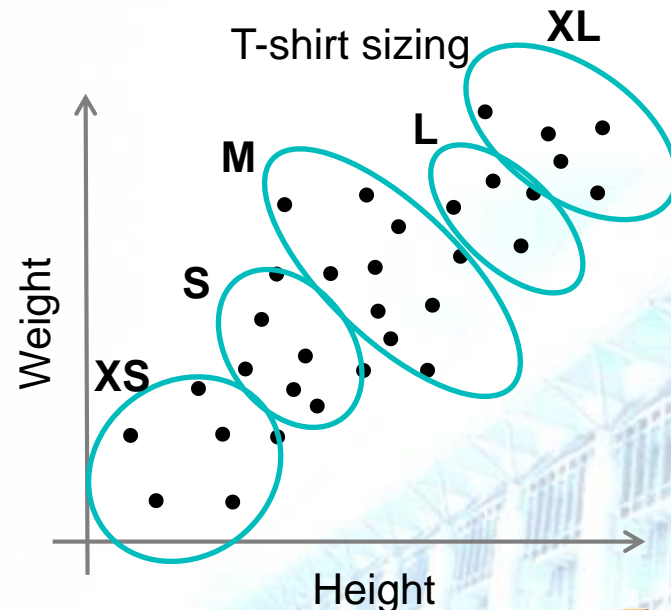
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 - And if it does not, company can divide people to more groups, may be five, and so on.



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